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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application Number	09/223,774
Filing Date	December 31, 1998
First Named Inventor	Gregory Lindhorst et al.
Art Unit	2176
Examiner Name	William Bashore
Attorney Docket Number	003797.77995

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114

Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - ii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
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 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

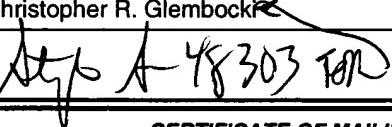
- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-0733
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Name (Print /Type)	Christopher R. Glembock	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	38,800
Signature		Date	September 13, 2004

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Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
1001	2001	385	Utility filing fee
1002	2002	170	Design filing fee
1003	2003	265	Plant filing fee
1004	2004	385	Reissue filing fee
1005	2005	80	Provisional filing fee
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)	0

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Independent Claims	Multiple Dependent	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
		0	** = 0	X 0 = 0	0
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Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee Code	Fee (\$)
1202	2202	9
1201	2201	43
1203	2203	145
1204	2204	43
1205	2205	9
SUBTOTAL (2)		(\$)

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
1051	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
1052	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.
1053	1053	130	Non-English specification
1812	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination
1804	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
1805	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
1251	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month
1252	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month
1253	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month
1254	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month
1255	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month
1401	2401	165	Notice of Appeal
1402	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	2403	145	Request for oral hearing
1451	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
1452	2452	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable
1453	2453	665	Petition to revive – unintentional
1501	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
1502	2502	240	Design issue fee
1503	2503	320	Plant issue fee
1460	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
1807	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)
1806	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
8021	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
1809	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))
1810	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))
1801	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
1802	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application
Other fee (specify) _____			

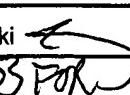
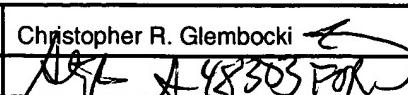
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